

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 25 – 27 so that the claims read as indicated below.

1. (previously presented) A method for data cleansing, comprising:
receiving an input address;
comparing said input address to a standard;
providing a single best address derived from said input address, based on said comparison; and
matching said single best address to a database having unique business identifiers associated with
addresses, to find a matching address for correction of said input address.
2. (canceled)
3. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said database is an advanced
office system (AOS).
4. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising:
providing a match project analysis report.
5. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising:
converting said input address to a predetermined record layout, before comparing said input
address to said standard.
6. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising:
associating said input address with a code, said code being used to determine said single best
address.
7. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising:
associating said input address with a score, said score being used to determine said single best
address.

8. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said standard is selected from the group consisting of: ZIP+4 coding, coding accuracy support system (CASS), Locatable Address Conversion System (LACS), delivery sequence file (DSF), and National Change of Address (NCOA).

9. (canceled)

10. (canceled)

11. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising: sending a status notification to a user who supplied said input address.

12. (previously presented) A system for data cleansing, comprising:
a pre-auditor for generating a report having a plurality of views of an input address file, said input address file including a record having an input address;
a verifier for finding and removing any invalid records from said input address file;
a vendor interface for sending said input address file and an order to a vendor, and for receiving a file of standardized addresses from said vendor;
a component for comparing said input address to said standardized addresses;
a component for providing a single best address derived from said input address, based on said comparison; and
a matcher for matching said single best address to a database having unique business identifiers associated with addresses, to find a matching address for correction of said input address.

13. (canceled)

14. (previously presented) The system according to claim 12, further comprising: an investigator for investigating any address not matched, upon request.

15 – 17. (canceled)

18. (previously presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said plurality of views includes a view selected from the group consisting of: alphabetical, most frequent content, and alpha characters only.

19. (previously presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said vendor standardizes addresses using at a process selected from the group consisting of: Locatable Address Conversion System (LACS), delivery sequence file (DSF), and National Change of Address (NCOA).

20. (previously presented) A machine readable medium having instructions stored thereon to perform a method for data cleansing, comprising:

receiving an input address;
comparing said input address to a standard; and
providing a single best address derived from said input address based on said comparison; and
matching said single best address to a database having unique business identifiers associated with addresses, to find a matching address for correction of said input address.

21. (canceled)

22. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
accessing a record having said input address; and
correcting said record based on said matching address.

23. (previously presented) The system of claim 12, further comprising:
a component for correcting said record based on said matching address.

24. (previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 20, further comprising:
accessing a record having said input address; and
correcting said record based on said matching address.

25. (new) The method of claim 1,
wherein said receiving includes receiving a unique business identifier, and
wherein said matching also includes matching said unique business identifier to said database, to
find said matching address for correction of said input address.

26. (new) The system of claim 12,
wherein said record also includes a unique business identifier, and
wherein said matcher also matches said unique business identifier to said database, to find said
matching address for correction of said input address.

27. (new) The machine readable medium of claim 20,
wherein said receiving includes receiving a unique business identifier, and
wherein said matching also includes matching said unique business identifier to said database, to
find said matching address for correction of said input address.